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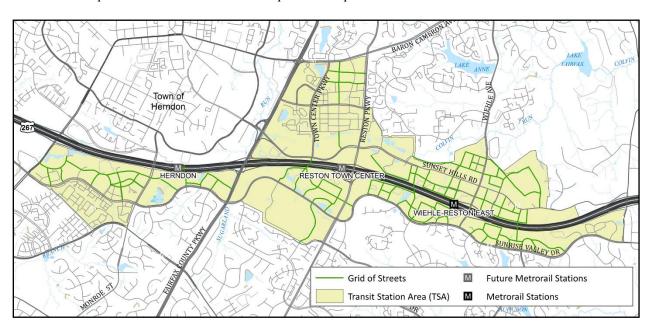
Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment: Residential Density in Reston PRC District Community Meeting October 23, 2017 Transportation Fact Sheet

Reston Comprehensive Plan Analysis

The Reston Phase I Comprehensive Plan Amendment was adopted by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on February 11, 2014. As part of this effort, a transportation study was conducted to determine what transportation improvements are needed to support the planned development in the Transit Station Areas (TSAs) around the three Reston Silver Line Metrorail Stations. Specific recommendations on new and improved facilities were made to enhance the transportation network, including Grids of Streets in the areas closest to the transit stations. In addition to new infrastructure, the Reston Phase I transportation guidance encourages a balance between land use and transportation and a strong Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program in the TSAs.

Following the Adoption of the Phase I Plan the Board of Supervisors directed staff to:

- "Conduct a detailed evaluation and operational analysis of the enhanced street network shown on the Reston Master Plan, prioritize these improvements, and develop an implementation strategy."
- "Develop an inclusive process to prepare a funding plan for the recommended transportation improvements that includes both public and private revenues."



Reston Network Analysis and Funding Plan

The Reston Network Analysis and Funding Plan have created a framework for moving forward with transportation improvements in the TSAs, including the Grids of Streets. The Network Analysis evaluated buildout of the Reston TSAs, assuming complete development of the Comprehensive Plan by 2050. It also recommended improvements to ensure that future traffic conditions operate at level of service E or better in the TSAs, while maintaining a walkable grid of streets. The Reston Funding Plan developed a strategy for funding necessary transportation projects and infrastructure to support the

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development of the Reston TSAs identified by the Comprehensive Plan and Network Analysis. This strategy included the creation of monetary contribution rates for new developments to proffer for both residential and commercial development in the TSAs, as well as establishing a Service District to supplement the Countywide transportation funds from Federal, State, regional and local sources. These efforts were guided by the Reston Network Analysis Advisory Group (RNAG), comprised of Reston residents and property owners.

The RNAG was created by the Hunter Mill District Supervisor to establish a forum for the community to provide input on the Reston Network Analysis and the Funding Plan. The RNAG met from September 2015 through May 2017, providing guidance on the Network Analysis and Funding Plan.

Planned Projects

The RNAG collaborated with staff and guided the Network Analysis and Funding Plan. These efforts created a prioritization plan for large transportation improvements in Reston as well as a plan for their funding. These projects include:

- Soapstone Drive Overpass
- Town Center Parkway Underpass
- South Lakes Drive Overpass
- Reston Parkway Widening (Dulles Toll Road to South Lakes Drive)
- Fairfax County Parkway Widening (West Ox to the Dulles Toll Road)
- Sunrise Valley Drive/Fairfax County Parkway Interchange
- Fox Mill Road Widening (Reston Parkway to Monroe Street)
- West Ox Road Widening (Lawyers Road to Centreville Road)
- Monroe Street Widening (West Ox Road to the Town of Herndon)
- Pinecrest Road Extension

Implementation of Transportation Improvements

A more specific project implementation plan is currently being developed by FCDOT staff to implement the recommendations of the Network Analysis and Reston Funding Plans. However, multiple efforts are underway to improve transportation in Reston including:

- Phase II of the Silver line, which will add two Metrorail stations in Reston and connect Reston to Dulles Airport, Tysons, Arlington and downtown DC is now almost 70 percent complete. The project is on track to reach substantial completion in the summer of 2019, with a specific opening day to be determined.
- A Service District has been established in the Transit Station Areas to fund the recommended transportation improvements.
- Improvements under the Metrorail tracks were completed to facilitate construction of the future Town Center Parkway Underpass.
- The Soapstone Connector continues to progress, with a Public Hearing on Wednesday, November 8 to hear comments on the Environmental Assessment.
- The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is moving forward with the widening of Route 7 from Reston to Tysons.
- FCDOT staff have also begun to work on short term improvements at the intersections of:
 - o Fairfax County Parkway and Sunrise Valley Drive;
 - o Reston Parkway and Sunrise Valley Drive; and
 - o Reston Parkway and Baron Cameron Avenue.
- Staff also continues to work on many bike and pedestrian improvements in Reston to facilitate multimodal access to the Metrorail stations and surrounding developments.